

LISTING OF CLAIMS

1. (currently amended) A golf ball manufacturing method comprising:
 - an attitude regulating step of regulating an attitude of a golf ball having a spew on a seam in such a manner that the seam is placed in a predetermined position; and
 - a seam processing step of cutting or grinding the spew or the seam by means of a rotary processing tool having a processing direction ~~to be~~ that is inclined to the seam while rotating the golf ball in a circumferential direction of the seam.
2. (original) The golf ball manufacturing method according to claim 1, wherein an absolute value of an angle formed by the processing direction with respect to the seam is 10 to 45 degrees.
3. (currently amended) A golf ball manufacturing method comprising:
 - an attitude regulating step of regulating an attitude of a golf ball having a spew on a seam in such a manner that the seam is placed in a predetermined position;
 - a first processing step of cutting or grinding the spew or the seam by means of a rotary processing tool having a processing direction ~~to be~~ that is inclined to the seam while rotating the golf ball in a circumferential direction of the seam; and
 - a second processing step of cutting or grinding the spew or the seam by means of a rotary processing tool having a processing direction ~~to be~~ that is inclined to the seam and to cross the processing direction at the first processing step with the seam interposed therebetween while rotating the golf ball in the circumferential direction of the seam.
4. (original) The golf ball manufacturing method according to claim 3, wherein absolute values of angles formed by the processing directions at the first and second processing steps with respect to the seam are 10 to 45 degrees.
5. (original) The golf ball manufacturing method according to claim 3 or 4, wherein the processing direction at the first processing step and the processing direction at the second processing step are almost symmetrical with the seam interposed therebetween.